

Amendments to the Specification

Change page 4, line 15 to page 5, line 2, as follows:

In order to attain the above objects, a gasket of the invention is formed of a first metal base plate provided with a first main bead and a second metal base plate provided with a second main bead, wherein the first main bead and the second main bead are disposed back to back to project outwardly around a hole to be sealed. The gasket comprises a first inner peripheral side sub-bead smaller than the first main bead disposed on an inner peripheral side of the first main bead; a first outer peripheral side sub-bead smaller than the first main bead disposed on an outer peripheral side of the first main bead; a second inner peripheral side sub-bead smaller than the second main bead disposed to abut against the first inner peripheral side sub-bead on an inner peripheral side of the second main bead; and a second outer peripheral side sub-bead smaller than the second main bead disposed to abut against the first outer peripheral side sub-bead on an outer peripheral side of the second main bead.